

LAWS AND RULES REVIEW COMMITTEE
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Date: Wednesday, November 15, 2000

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Kapuaiwa Room
HRH Princess Victoria Kamamalu Building
1010 Richards Street, Second Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii

Present: Iris Okawa, Vice Chair
Charles Aki, Member
Michael Ching, Member
Casey Choi, Member (Late Arrival)
Patricia Choi, Member
Mitchell Imanaka, Member
John Ohama, Member
Peter Rice, Member (Late Arrival)

Calvin Kimura, Supervising Executive Officer
Pamela Garrison, Senior Real Estate Specialist
Russell Wong, Real Estate Specialist
Cynthia Yee, Senior Condominium Specialist
Lorene Arata, Condominium Specialist
Gina Watumull, Condominium Specialist
Shari Wong, Deputy Attorney General (Late Arrival)
Irene Kotaka, Secretary

Excused: Alfredo Evangelista, Chair

Call to Order: The Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m., at which time quorum was established.

Chair's Report: REC Chair Ohama recognized Senior Real Estate Garrison for her contributions and service to the Real Estate Commission and presented her with a plaque. REC Vice Chair Ching presented Ms. Garrison with a lei. Former Real Estate Specialist Cole was also presented with a plaque.

LRRC Chair Okawa thanked the Senior Real Estate Specialist for her years of service and for the assistance that she has provided to the Real Estate Commission. She also wished her good luck in the private sector.

The Deputy Attorney General arrived.

SEO's Report: **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

Upon a motion by Commissioner Imanaka, seconded by Commissioner Ching, it was voted on and unanimously carried to accept the minutes of the October 11, 2000 Laws and Rules Review Committee meeting as circulated.

2001 Real Estate Commission Meeting Schedule

A copy of the 2001 Real Estate Commission meeting schedule was distributed to the Commissioners for their information. The Commissioners were asked to notify staff if they had any conflicts in their schedules.

Commissioner Rice arrived.

Program of Work, FY01: Neighbor Island Outreach – Maui and Island of Hawaii

The next neighbor island outreach is scheduled to be held on the island of Maui, in January. Commissioner Rice stated that he has been working with the Maui Board of REALTORS to schedule the meeting. He suggested that the meeting may be held on the third Thursday or Friday in January, depending on room availability.

It was recommended that Commissioner Rice work with REB staff in determining the date of the next neighbor island outreach, which is scheduled for the island of Maui in January 2001.

Rule Making, Chapter 99, HAR, Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons and SWAT

The SEO reported that REB has received the Deputy Attorney General's recommendations and it has been incorporated into the latest draft. The proposed SWAT rules are enroute to the Attorney General's Office.

The Deputy Attorney General was asked what the estimated turnaround time would be for returning the rules. She stated that it would probably be the same as when she first reviewed the rules.

Licensing Renewal – November 30 Filing Deadline

The Commissioners were reminded that the filing deadline for on-time renewals is November 30, 2000.

Renewal workshops will be held as follows:

November 17, 2000, 9 to 12 Noon – Kapuaiwa Room

November 20, 2000, 9 to 12 Noon – Maui Board of REALTORS

November 27, 2000, 9 to 12 Noon – Kona Board of REALTORS

The renewal workshops that were held in Honolulu and in Hilo were sparsely attended.

Commissioners Education Program

A copy of the October 2000 issue of "The High Road" was distributed to the Commissioners for their information. The Commissioners were also reminded that they are considered "employees".

Case Law Review

A copy of the article entitled, "Supreme Court backs State Bar in rejection of bar admission," which appeared in the September 2000 issue of the California Bar Journal, was distributed to the Commissioners for their information.

ARELLO, Other
Organizations and
Jurisdictions:

ARELLO – Working Group Volunteer Form

The SEO requested that the Commissioners submit their preferences for the ARELLO working groups to him by the end of the meeting.

The SEO was asked if he was an active participant on any of ARELLO's Committees. The SEO reported that he had been an active participant prior to the ARELLO Annual Conference, however since he was unable to attend the Annual Conference, he was uncertain of his current level of participation.

Oklahoma Real Estate Commission

A copy of an article entitled, "Real Estate License Holders Must Be In Compliance with State Income Tax Laws", which appeared in the 4th Quarter 2000 issue of the Oklahoma Real Estate Commission's Commission Comment, was distributed to the Commissioners for their information.

Oregon Real Estate Agency

Information on the Oregon Real Estate Commission's ability to accept credit card payments was distributed to the Commissioners for their information.

Nebraska Real Estate Commission

A copy of an article entitled, "Top Five List of Renewal Mistakes," which appeared in the Fall 2000 issue of the Nebraska Real Estate Commission's Newsletter.

Commissioner C. Choi arrived.

California Department of Real Estate

Information on the California Department of Real Estate's ability to provide on-line mailing address changes was distributed to the Commissioners for their information.

Open Forum:

None.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, December 14, 2000
9:00 a.m.
Kapuaiwa Room
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Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, the Vice Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:17 a.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Calvin Kimura
Calvin Kimura

December 14, 2000
Date

[☒] Approved as is.

[☐] Approved with amendments. See minutes of _____ meeting.